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The Official Bulletin of The Fraternal Order of Eagles Grand Aerie

2012 Operation Eagle Recipients Announced

The Fraternal Order of Eagles was founded on the spirit of "People Helping People." Help us help the men and women protecting our freedoms overseas by participating in the 2012 Operation Eagle program this month.

Each recipient will receive a care package of items provided by the F.O.E. in recognition of their service.

This year's recipients and their sponsoring Aeries are:

Serving in Afghanistan:
Richard Rodriguez,
Oakland Park, Fla., #3700

Jarrod Kent, Jonesboro, Ark., #3354

Steven Braley, Beaverton, Mich., #3655

Joseph Marth, Gladwin, Mich., #3292

Myers Wann, St. Louis, Mo., #4422

Serving on the USS Iwo Jima:
Douglas Fox, Las Vegas, Nev., #1213

Serving in Kuwait:
Michael Hibbard,
Bartlesville, Okla., #610

The Grand Aerie will accept new items, as well as monetary donations. Monetary donations are preferred as they allow us to purchase items specific to the needs of each individual recipient.

Send Operation Eagle donations to:
Grand Aerie Marketing Dept.
Operation Eagle
1623 Gateway Circle South
Grove City, OH 43123
Make checks payable to: Operation Eagle

For more info, visit our Members-Only website or contact the Marketing & Communications Dept., at marketing@foe.com or call 614-883-2210.

Regional Conferences Underway

As the first series of gatherings across the United States and Canada for the fraternal year, Regional Conferences often set the tone for the organization's next several months. Grand Worthy President Ron Stine and Grand Madam President Sally Villalva are leading by example, coming together to encourage members to "Keep The Pace, Win The Race, Step Up For Membership."

The pair have reached out to their Regional Presidents with points of emphasis for all Conferences.

Ron's points of emphasis include:

- *Membership Growth: Meet the Challenge*
- *F.O.E. Diabetes Research Center: Let's Break Records!*
- *Stay on Track: Be a Loyal and Good Members*
- *Help Others: This is the Engine of our Organization*
- *Work Together: It's all about TEAM!*

Sally's points of emphasis include:

- *Step Up for Membership*
- *Step Up for Re-Enrollment*
- *Step Up to Loyalty, Remember your Obligation*
- *Step Up for Charities*
- *Step Up for Ritual*

Ron and Sally are traveling the jurisdiction this year to raise money for The Fraternal Order of Eagles Diabetes Research Center. In conjunction with DRC Co-Directors Tom McGrath and Jean Kerr, a message has been drafted and sent to all DRC Regional Chairman to deliver at each conference as a tool to keep members informed.

As part of the message to be delivered, DRC Regional Chairmen have been

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2012 Regional Conferences

North Central • Sept. 14-16
Valley City, North Dakota #2192

West Central • Sept. 14-16
Council Bluffs, Iowa #104

Est./Eastern Canada • Sept. 21-23
London, Ontario #4060

Four Corners • Sept. 21-23
Englewood, Colorado #3241

Southwest • Sept. 21-23
Texarkana, Arkansas #2684

Central • Sept. 28-30
Lebanon, Indiana #2062

Southeast • Sept. 28-30
Atlanta, Georgia #714

Mountain • Oct. 5-7
Casper, Wyoming #306

Eastern • Oct. 12-14
Carlisle, Pennsylvania #1299

Great Lakes • Oct. 12-14
Newberry, Michigan #3701

Pacific Northwest • Oct. 19-21
Albany, Oregon #2255

Southeast Central • Oct. 19-21
Fern Valley Hotel • Louisville, Kentucky

South Central • Oct. 19-21
Columbia, Missouri #2730

Western • Oct. 19-21
Oxnard, California #232

New England • Oct. 26-28
Leominster, Massachusetts #477

East Central • Nov. 2-4
Doubletree Hotel • Independence, Ohio

Mid-Atlantic • Nov. 2-4
Cresaptown, Maryland #2883

From The Archives: September 1977

HAPPINESS IS . . .
. . . BEING AN EAGLE

Happiness is . . .
. . . having fun

. . . relaxing at the club

. . . competing in sports

. . . dining with friends

. . . dancing the dances

. . . sparking new ideas

Happiness is . . .
. . . helping others

. . . boosting our

. . . backing and

. . . serving and

. . . guiding our youth

. . . supporting our Charities

HAPPINESS IS . . . Helping Eagledom Grow

Signing New Members

Welcoming New Members and Re-Enrollees

Starting New Aeries

Make Your Friend Your Brother —

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Top Producers/ New Leaders

As of July 31

Aerie:

1. #1545 Ossining, NY	49
2. #1859 Bellwood, PA	42
3. #925 Grand Haven, MI	34
4. #2568 Seattle, WA	29
5. #4089 Port Orange, FL	27

Auxiliary:

1. #2298 Auburn, WA	23
2. #486 Coeur D'Alene, ID	21
3. #2883 Cresaptown, MD	20
4. #2647 Prosser, WA	19
#3080 Harvey, ND	19

Aerie (Individual):

1. Patrick J. Morgan	24
#1545 Ossining, NY	
2. Chris Parsons	23
#387 Newark, OH	
3. Ronald J. Samick	19
#536 Saint Marys, PA	
4. Violanda V. Cutler	18
#659 Midvale, UT	
5. Clyde Gill	14
#398 Yuma, AZ	

Auxiliary (Individual):

1. Amber Spencer	9
#811 Wooster, OH	
2. Connie J. Brown	8
#2298 Auburn, WA	
3. Angel Opdahl	7
#3080 Harvey, ND	
Dixie L. Browne	7
#2069 Sedro Woolley, WA	
5. Laverna R. Neff	6
#2281 Paden City, WV	
Dee E. Wojtanek	6
#4089 Port Orange, FL	

We Are People Helping People

Alaska
-The Auxiliary of Juneau-Douglas #4200 sponsored a Relay for Life team, raising $1,196 to find a cure for cancer.

Arizona
-Top Of The Rim #4437 presented the Arizona Burn Foundation with $2,000 in grants and donations.

California
-Chico #218 held a dinner to benefit the Wounded Warrior Project, raising $1,500.

Colorado
-Pikes Peak Junior Order of Eagles #143 raised $207.75 for the Pikes Peak Hospice.

Dakota
-The Dakota State Aerie presented a $5,000 grant to Home on the Range, while the Auxiliary presented $1,200 to Black Hills Children's Home Society.

Florida
-Seminole #4147 raised $12,000 in donations to various F.O.E. Charities.

Idaho
-Idaho Falls Aerie #576 awarded $3,500 in scholarships to five area students.

Illinois
-Cicero Aerie #1935 raised $2,000 for the Boys & Girls Club of Cicero through their annual golf tournament.

Indiana
-Crown Point #2659 presented $9,000 in scholarships to area students in 2012.

Iowa
-2011-2012 State Presidents Jake and Barb Roush presented a check for $144,113.87 to the University of Iowa for Multiple Sclerosis research.

Kansas
-2011-2012 Kansas State Presidents John J. Kaiser and Peggy L. Fellers presented a donation of $32,839 the Cotton-O'Neil Cancer Center in Topeka.

Michigan
-Michigan Center #3634 held their annual Walk-A-Thon event, raising $5,000 for the Art Ehrmann Cancer Fund.

Minnesota
-Albert Lea #2258 donated $500 to the YMCA, Freeborn Co. Humane Society, American Red Cross, Freeborn Co. Historical Society, the Gus Project and the Freeborn Co. Arc.

Missouri
-Missouri raised $131,077.28 for Dream Factory, the state project of Tim Marler and Leslie Franklin in 2011-2012. The money received helped 29 sick children experience a dream vacation with their families.

New York

Jr. Past President Mary Gwitt-Stoldt presented a check to the Roswell Park Cancer Institute worth $10,760.91. The Institute was the State Charity of New York for the 2011-2012 fraternal year. With Mary are Dick & Mary Jane Gielski, Roswell Park's Katie Delmonte, Depew-Lancaster Trustee Gary Stoldt, Depew-Lancaster Jr. Past President Dolores Tafelski and life member Connie Wonsiewicz.

Nebraska
-Fremont Aux. #200 raised $4,745 for charities through monthly pork tenderloin dinners and memorials for deceased sisters.

New Hampshire
-PSP Whip Wilson, on behalf of the New Hampshire Past State President's Club, presented an $800 donation to the Cheshire Health Foundation's Diabetes Fund.

Ohio
-Willoughby #2300 donated $5,000 to Dancing Wheels Company & School, bringing the Eagles' total donation to the organization to $20,000.

Oregon
-Past State President Fran Green presented a check for $35,506.43 to Gales Creek Camp for Diabetic Children.

Pennsylvania
-Carlisle #1299 presented a grant for $10,000 to benefit the Jake Gittlen Memorial Golf Tournament.

Texas
-Highland Lakes #4303 donated $2,000 to the Autism Research Center in San Antonio and $2,480 to various F.O.E. charities.

Utah
-Tooele #164 recently held a fundraiser for local resident Terry Higgins, a multiple amputee, raising $6,625.05 for his family.

Virginia
-Piedmont #4420 awarded 7 scholarships to area students for a total of $5,000.

Washington
-2011-2012 State Presidents Ivan Wilson and Charlene Butterfield raised more than $100,000 for their state project, Washington Food Banks and $102,000 for their joint charity Pope's Kids Place.

Wisconsin
-Oshkosh #267 donated $2,000 to the Aurora Research Foundation.

Alberta/ Saskatchewan
-Regina #4126 presented checks for $9,448 to the Regina Special Olympics and $12,759 to the Saskatchewan Heart & Stroke Foundation.

British Columbia
-Maple Ridge Eagles #2831 donated $1,200 for a new procedure chair for Ridge Meadows Hospital and to fund Girls World.

People Helping People
While all items are published and shared electronically, space is limited in print. In an effort to provide a diverse offering of news items for our members each month, the largest and/or most unique donation from each State/Province we receive news from will be featured in our People Helping People section. Once each State/Province we have news from has been represented, we will begin to allow additional items.

Please keep in mind that all photos must be high-resolution and cannot be taken from a newspaper or a news outlet's website as the Grand Aerie does not have the right to use those photos.

As always, we welcome any questions or suggestions you might have. Please see the panel on page 2 for contact information.

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given a new eight-minute DRC video created by the Grand Aerie Marketing Department to share with those in attendance. The video touches on where we've been and where we must continue to go to reinforce the center as a tremendous beacon of pride for the organization. Each chair has also received several DRC items which can be used to help raise interest in meeting our commitment.

Our Presidents are also highly pushing membership for the Regional Conference season. As with any organization, power lies in numbers. In order to maximize our ability to reach out and help bring positive change to the world, we must focus on growing our ranks. With increased membership comes increased influence and with that influence comes the ability to make a difference.

To help with this task, the Grand Aerie Membership Department is holding a contest from Sept. 1-Nov. 30, for a chance to win a free vacation voucher from Resort Condominiums International (RCI). For every five (5) proposed members during the three-month period, a current member will receive one (1) entry into the raffle. See the flier included in this issue of Soar for more information.

Ron and Sally are also making loyalty a priority during their year as Presidents. With a membership of nearly 850,000, it's only natural for members to have differing opinions on subjects. Part of being a loyal member of the F.O.E. is respecting the opinions of others and working together to find a common ground that best suits all members. By working together and being loyal to brothers and sisters, we better our chances of making the F.O.E. all it can be.

As our Grand Worthy President loves to say, "Eagles are all about helping those less fortunate than us." It's a sentiment shared by Sally and by Eagles who came before us. As members gather throughout the fall our leaders ask every Eagle to consider our dedication to being "People Helping People" above all us.

The phrase is more than a motto – it's the foundation of our entire organization. In the face of problems and successes, it's important to always ask ourselves if what we're doing is to the benefit of the organization and society as a whole. Let's channel our energy and focus it on taking actions with a positive effect.

This fall, let's do as our leaders have done and "Keep the Pace, Win the Race, Step Up For Membership."

News & Notes

About Your Per Capita Tax

The Fraternal Order of Eagles Board of Grand Trustees is aware of some confusion surrounding the recent vote by delegates to increase the Per Capita Tax (PCT). The intent of the proposal was to increase the PCT by a total of $2 per year, but in six-month increments of 50 cents to allow for operational adjustments at the local level. However, the wording of the law change was inconsistent with that intent, and will – over time – bring the PCT increase to $4 per year. The only way this action can be changed is on the Convention floor. Therefore, the Board of Grand Trustees will have a corrected proposal ready for next July's Convention in Reno for the delegation to consider. Please be aware that the first increase of 50 cents will be effective during the May 2013 collection period.

You Could Win A Free Vacation!

The Grand Aerie Membership Department is giving Eagles the chance to win a free vacation through Resort Condominiums International. For every five new or re-enrolled members you sign from Sept. 1-Nov. 30, you will receive an entry into a raffle for a 7-night vacation voucher. A winner will be announced Friday, Dec. 7. From the beaches of Florida to the mountains of Colorado or the peaceful harbors of Rhode Island, RCI offers great vacation spots across the United States to choose from! For more information, see the special Membership Contest insert included in this edition of Soar or contact the Membership Department at membership@foe.com or call 614-883-2177. Please note that travel costs are not included in this prize.

Making The Holiday Brighter In Your Community?

Each year, several of our Aeries/Auxiliaries make a difference in their community by holding a Christmas Shopping Spree for those less fortunate. If you are holding a special Shopping Spree event this holiday season, let the Marketing & Communications Department know by e-mailing marketing@foe.com or calling 614-883-2210.

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4 Keychains
20 Zipper Pulls
16 Coasters
24 Wristbands
40 F.O.E. Window Clings
8 Koozies

We are Eagles Coaster

QUANTITY DISCOUNT

$44.95 (Plus tax)

Quantity ordered: More than 6

FOE Kit	Quantity per Kit	Suggested Donation Per Item	Est. $ Raised
Coaster	16	$.50	$8
Koozie	8	$3.00	$24
Key Chain	4	$4.00	$16
Zipper Pull	20	$2.00	$40
Window Cling	40	$1.00	$40
Wristband	24	$3.00	$72
		TOTAL RAISED	$200
		COST OF KIT	$44.95–$49.95
		TOTAL PROFIT	$150.05–$155.05

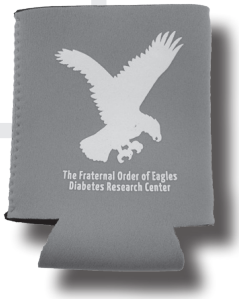
D.R.C. KIT

INCLUDED

12 Keychains
20 Zipper Pulls
20 Golf Markers
16 Coasters
32 Wristbands
8 Koozies

$49.95 (Plus tax)

Quantity ordered: 1–6



D.R.C. Koozie

DRC Kit	Quantity per Kit	Suggested Donation Per Item	Est. $ Raised
Coaster	16	$.50	$8
Koozie	8	$3.00	$24
Key Chain	12	$4.00	$48
Zipper Pull	20	$2.00	$40
Golf Marker	20	$.50	$10
Wristband	32	$3.00	$96
		TOTAL RAISED	$226
		COST OF KIT	$44.95–$49.95
		TOTAL PROFIT	$176.05–$181.05

- All prices include free shipping.
- All kits must be paid by the Aerie Secretary with a credit card or check. Individuals may pay with a credit card.

Visit www.foegear.com to order yours today!

Questions? Contact marketing@foe.com or call 614-883-2210.

Need A Vacation?

Sign up new members!

The Grand Aerie Membership Department encourages you to sign up new members from Sept. 1-Nov. 30 for a chance to win a 7-Night Vacation Voucher from Resort Condominiums International (RCI).

Rules:

- **Sign up five (5) members during the period for one entry into the drawing.**
- **Receive one (1) additional entry for every five (5) members proposed after the initial five.**
- **A winner will be drawn and announced Friday, December 7.**
- **Entries are automatically generated internally from the Member Management System (MMS) at the Grand Aerie.**
- **Voucher must be used within 12 months of being issued.**

Whether you dream of the beaches of Florida, the mountains of Colorado or the peaceful harbors of Rhode Island, this prize offers the vacation you've been waiting for! Please note: Travel costs are not included.

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